CORBY OLD VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER Issue 12 - Friday 26th March 2021

School closes for the Easter Holiday today. We hope that you all have a lovely, safe couple of weeks and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on Monday $12^{\rm th}$ April.

We hope that we will have no positive cases of Coronavirus over the holiday but if your child does test positive during the next two weeks, please make sure that you still notify the school office. The office will be closed for telephone calls but emails to office@covs.northants.sch.uk will be monitored daily. If a positive case is confirmed, we will report it to the DfE who will confirm what action we must take. If we are required to contact parents, we will do so via text message and email.

Infection rates in Corby remain stubbornly high and we ask that you all stick to the guidelines over the Easter break. Some rules are expected to be relaxed slightly on 29th March, meaning that people may be allowed to meet others outside in parks and private gardens. Further details of this relaxation can be found in the letter from Lucy Wightman, Director of Public Health Northamptonshire, which was emailed to all parents yesterday. This letter can also be found on our school website, in the 'Letters Home' section.

In this letter, Lucy Wightman makes it clear that indoor household mixing, in particular sleepovers, have been the main cause of increases in cases in the past year and we strongly advise parents not to allow these to take place.

We must all still work together to reduce the spread of this virus to enable life to return to normal in the near future.

Lateral Flow Tests

All school staff continue to take lateral flow tests twice weekly, and these will continue throughout the Easter break, as advised by Public Health.

Parents and support bubbles of school aged children are also able to access these tests. More information about how to access them can be found in the letter mentioned above or by visiting www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-lateral-flow-tests.

Star of the Week

Our Stars of the Week for is week are:

Pixie - PollyannaCentaur - DeclanUnicorn - OliviaDragon - RobertaPegasus - AmeliaPhoenix - Stevie

Griffin - Myles

Well done to all of the children!

<u>Safeguarding</u>

If you ever have any concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of our children, please contact the school and ask for Miss Thomas or Mrs Lowe (Designated Safeguarding Leads)